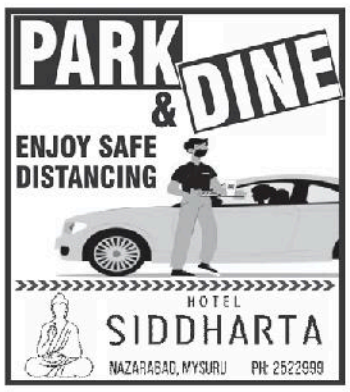

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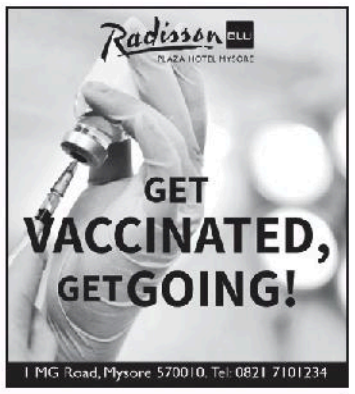

Minor wall collapse at KRS Reservoir

CNNL engineers say no need to panic

More than 30 stones adjacent to the wall of the steps in the historic KRS Dam that crashed last night.

Srirangapatna, July 19 (Vinay Karekura&BCT)- At a time when the dust raised by political slugfest over illegal and legal stone mining activities posing a threat to the iconic Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam is yet to settle down, a minor wall collapse under the Reservoir steps last night has caused concern.

Over 25 to 30 stones of the wall that supports the steps came crashing down due to incessant rains. The structure had gone weak as the soil below it could not take more pressure.

The Dam is 89-years-old and it was completed in 1932 after 21 years of construction.

The steps under which the collapse has occurred is above 80 feet on the way — ramp path — from KRS Dam to Brindavan Gardens and Cauvery statue. Due to security reasons, entry through the steps here was banned several years ago. Engineers suspect that the collapse would have occurred due to incessant rains and loose soil.

This pride of the land was constructed using lime, stone and mortar and so far the engineering marvel has withstood nature's fury and the construction speaks volumes about the structural skill prevalent then. No steel was used in the construction of the Dam, apart from the sluice gates. The structure is a standing testimony to the workmanship of the days of yore.

(See KRS on page 6)

Dasara-like Gangotsava on cards at Talakad

Heritage Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel to remain with Jungle Lodges

Tourism Minister C.P. Yogeeshwar during a private visit to Harangi Dam.

Madikeri/Mysuru, July 19 (Akshay&BCT)- A grand Dasara-like Gangotsava at Talakad, a 'hi-tech haat' at Dasara Exhibition Grounds in Mysuru, adventure water sports at Harangi in Kodagu are among immediate plans of Tourism Minister C.P. Yogeeshwar for Mysuru and Kodagu.

The Minister was on a private visit to Kodagu along with his family since yesterday and visited Harangi Dam and Dubare Elephant Camp. Today afternoon, he is scheduled to visit Somnathpur Temple, Mudukuthore and Talakad, all in Mysuru district, where he is expected to announce 'Gangotsava' to commemorate the rule of Gangas and their contribution to art, culture and sculpture.

Meanwhile, at a progress review meeting of Tourism Department in Bengaluru on July 15, it was decided not to hand over Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel to Taj Group that had evinced keen interest to run the Heritage Hotel.

(See GANGOTSAVA on page 6)

SSLC exam amidst festive fervour

Mysuru, July 19 (MTY&DM)- The SSLC (Secondary School Leaving Certificate) or Class 10 State Board exam (2020-21) began in the city this morning amidst a festive fervour with most of the Schools specially decorated with flowers, buntings, balloons, floral rangolis etc., to welcome students appearing for the exam, which is being held under special circumstances due to the COVID pandemic. Also, some institutions and organisations presented roses to students and wished them good luck.

The exam is being held only on two days (July 19 and 22) probably for the first time ever, with a changed pattern of exam and the students have to write the exam on OMR (Optical Mark Recognition) sheets provided by the Karnataka Secondary Education Examination Board (KSEEB), which is conducting the exam.

Today, the first paper was held in the morning session from 10.30 am to 1.30 pm on core subjects of Maths, Science, Social Science, Sociology, Economics, Political Science, Hindustani/Karnatak Music. In the afternoon session (2.30 pm to 5 pm), the exam will take place on subjects such as Elements of Mechanical and Electrical Engineering-2, Engineering Graphics-2, Elements of Electronics Engineering and Elements of Computer Science.

On July 22, the exam will be held for First language, Second language, Third language and NSQF subjects.

The exam is being held in 237 centres across the district, including 72 in Mysuru city alone, with all Government SOPs and COVID Appropriate Behaviour (CAB) in place at all centres. The exam halls were sanitised for ensuring the safety and health of students.

(See SSLC on page 6)

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Monday 19th July 2021

College education for SSLC passed poor boys

Entrance exam in city on July 25

Mysuru, July 19- The Ojas Public Charitable Trust, Mysuru, is providing College education to SSLC passed poor and intelligent male students of rural base, in Karnataka, since 2016. The students may be from any districts in Karnataka. The 5th batch students are studying in this educational project of the Trust.

Ojas aims at providing education till the students wish to study. However, the Trust encourages thus graduated students to take up Indian Administrative Service (IAS) exams by providing free boarding and lodging and educational facilities at Pejawara Hostel in JP Nagar, Mysuru.

Students aspiring to take up Engineering and Medical courses are not eligible to take up the entrance exam conducted by Ojas.

Interested students, who wish to take up IAS in future and who are writing SSLC examination of July 2021, can participate in the entrance exam to be held on Sunday (July 25) at Gopalaswamy Shishuvihara PU College, Nanjumalige, Lakshmi puram, from 10 am.

The examination will be for 200 marks of which 170 marks of objective questions and 30 marks of descriptive answers. The questions are from the subjects the students have studied for their SSLC exam along with General Knowledge (GK). The questions will be both in Kannada and English mediums.

For details, interested rural boy students may contact K.P. Pradyumna on Mob: 94482-91368 or N.R.Manjunath on Mob: 96202-28023.

Students should bring their hall ticket of 2021 SSLC examination and copy of Aadhaar Card along with recent passport size photograph while attending the entrance examination.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Governments around the world are taking smarter calls on big religious gatherings. Saudi Arabia, which has vaccinated just 7.1% of its population fully, has said that it will limit Haj this year to 60,000 fully vaccinated residents, disallowing believers from abroad for a second straight year. This is the model all States in India should also follow — either cancel large congregations or proceed only with fully vaccinated participants.

Governments in India must take a consistent line on mass gatherings, irrespective of the reason behind such crowds. There are major festivals later in the year. How we celebrate them must be determined solely by how many we have vaccinated and how quickly the virus is spreading. Every exception opens the door to another. UP has often claimed it managed the second wave better than many other States. Disallowing large gatherings is the best way to keep that performance going.

— In The Times of India

NEWS SPARKLERS

The world's most expensive sandwich

New York: Priced at an eye-watering 214 dollars, Quintessential Grilled Cheese has held the record for the world's most expensive commercially-available sandwich for over seven years.

Named Quintessential Grilled Cheese, the sandwich is deceptively simple, as it features some of the world's most exclusive ingredients. The Quintessential Grilled Cheese is made with two pieces of French Pullman champagne bread, which is prepared with Dom Perignon champagne and edible gold flakes, with white truffle butter and the very rare Caciocavallo Podolico cheese sandwiched between them. The record-setting treat is served with a cup of decadent South African Lobster Tomato Bisque dipping sauce, on a Baccarat Crystal plate.

Messaged bottle from Japan found in Hawaii

Hawaii: A 9-year-old girl visiting a Hawaii park with her family discovered a message in a bottle that was launched from Japan 37 years earlier. Abbie Graham of Keaau, was visiting Hawaiian Paradise Park with her parents and sister when she found a mud-caked glass bottle on the beach.

Parents Angie and John Graham said they were initially skeptical that the object was anything other than litter. The family took the bottle with them, and they eventually discovered Abbie's suspicions that they had discovered a message in a bottle were correct.

The note inside the bottle was authored by the Chiba Prefectural Choshi High School Natural Science Club in Japan. The message was printed in English, Spanish and Japanese. The family said they have not yet been able to get into contact with the authors of the message.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Myth: Vitiligo only affects the arms and face, **Fact:** Vitiligo patches can appear anywhere on the body & face, **Myth:** There is no cure for Vitiligo, **Fact:** Vitiligo cure options include treatment to prevent further spread & get back the lost colour in affected patches.

By Dr. Ravi S. - Consultant Dermatologist & Cosmetologist

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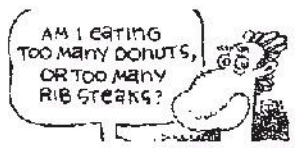


Americans are eating too many carbohydrates. In 2012, Americans ate 610 calories per day of carbohydrates like bread and cereal. In1970, they ate only 429 calories of carbs. We need to cut back on the carbs.

COVID-19 UPDATE - MYSURU

DATES	JULY 17	JULY 18
Day's Positive Cases	207	210
Total Positive Cases	1,70,940	1,71,150
Day's Discharges	244	237
Total Discharges	1,66,493	1,66,730
Day's Deaths	7	4
Total Deaths	2,273	2,277
Total Active Cases	2,174	2,143

NOTE: Figures as per Government Media Bulletin

Selected for Kannada Sahitya Parishat Awards-2021

Bengaluru, July 19 (SSV)- Noted playback singer Dr. B.K. Sumitra and renowned vocalist Prof. T.N. Padma have been selected for K. Mohandev Alva and Dr. M.K. Shailaja Alva endowment awards given by Kannada Sahitya Parishat (KSP) for the year 2021.

Dr. Sumitra

Noted writer Dr. Akka Gangambika Patil has been selected for T. Girija Literary Endowment Award. They were selected at the selection committee meeting held here recently under the Chairmanship of KSP President Dr. Manu Baligar.

The first two awards carry a cash prize of Rs.30,000 each and another award carries a cash prize of Rs.15,000. The selection committee consisted of K. Mohandev Alva, KSP Honorary Secretary Padmaraja Dandavate and K. R. Mallikarjunappa.

REALLY...?

- ***Hats, mats, baskets, wall hanging, rugs, toys etc., are manufactured from various parts of coconut tree. But, it is the shell of a coconut that is most commonly used in the art and craft world. Bowls, cups, spoons, coasters, belt buckles are formed out of the hard shell of coconut by the skilled hands of the artisans. Slowly it has found application in the fashion world and today necklace, earrings and bracelets are also manufactured from the shell.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

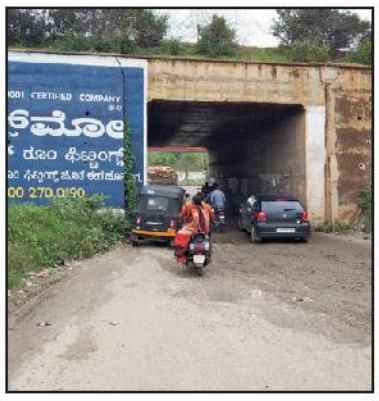
Father: ***Son this time, you have to score 90% marks in your exams.***
Son: ***No father, I will score 100% marks.***
Father: ***Why are you kidding?***
Son: ***Who started?***

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 74.75
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 102.85
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 20.35
1 Euro	= Rs. 88.26

VOICE OF THE READER

Dangerous and pathetic roads under the bridges



Sir,

This is to highlight some of the dangerous and pathetic roads under the bridges.

1. Immediately after KRS Road and Ring Road junction close to GRS Fantasy Park. **2.** Junction of Ring Road towards B.M. Shree Nagar. **3.** Railway Under Bridge junction of B.M. Shree Nagar and Janathanagar towards Shivarathreeshwaranagar. **4.** Jawa under bridge.

The vehicles, while trying to avoid the crater-like potholes under these bridges literally are head-on. There is every likelihood of a major accident and also major breakdown of vehicles on these under bridge roads.

One can imagine the condition of the vehicles which ply on these under bridge roads daily. The vehicles literally plunge down and come out on these roads.

Moreover there is filth and garbage strewn all over the stretch from under bridge at Ring Road and Railway under bridge.

I request the MP, MLA and Corporator concerned to ensure repair of these roads immediately on a war-footing.

I also request smooth coordination between PWD, MUDA and MCC to solve this grave issue.

—N. Bhaskar

Brindavan Extension 16.7.2021

Nodal Centre of Bangalore Chamber of Industry and Commerce at SDM-IMD in Mysuru

Dr N.R. Parasuraman** (extreme right), **Director, SDM-IMD and T.R. Parasuraman, President, BCIC, exchanging the MoU in the presence of Chairman of SDM Education Trust Dr. D. Veerendra Heggade and Minister for Large and Medium Scale Industries Jagadish Shettar as BCIC Executive Members look on.

Mysuru, July 19 - Bangalore Chamber of Industry and Commerce (BCIC) has set up Nodal Centres in Mysuru and Dharwad in collaboration with Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara Institute for Management Development (SDM-IMD), Mysuru.

The Nodal Centre in Mysuru will be called the **BCIC SDM-IMD Centre for Excellence in Management Studies** and will focus on holding corporate programmes, training sessions, workshops and leadership conclaves with the support of the corporate executives of the member Institutions of BCIC. A similar centre is being set up in Dharwad called the **BCIC Shri Dharmasthala University Centre for Excellence.**

Minister for Large & Medium Scale Industries Jagadish Shettar, who inaugurated the Nodal Centre in Bengaluru on July 15, said the efforts of industrial development and skill development should reach the Tier-II and III cities more effectively.

Lauding the efforts of Bangalore Chamber of Industry and Commerce and Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara Group for establishing the Nodal Centres, he said such initiatives will help industries and skill enhancement among youths in other parts of the State.

Speaking on the occasion, Dharmadhikari of Dharmasthala and Chairman of SDM Education Trust Dr. D. Veerendra Heggade acknowledged the great work being carried out by BCIC and expressed hope that the collaboration with SDM-IMD will bring forth new areas of exposure to students.

Dr. N.R. Parasuraman, Director, SDM-IMD, explained the context behind setting up the Nodal Centres. Given the international accreditation and tie-ups that SDM-IMD has, this arrangement will bolster corporatisation and consultancy areas for the Institute apart from paving the way for focused research enabling smooth decision-making.

Dr. Niranjankumar, Vice-Chancellor, SDM University, Dharwad; Lt. Col. U.S. Dinesh, Registrar, SDM University; BCIC office-bearers T.R. Parasuraman, President; K.R. Shekar, Sr. Vice President and Dr. L. Ravindran, Vice-President; Lt. Col. S.N. Prasad, Deputy Director, SDM-IMD, Mysuru and other authorities of BCIC and SDM Group were present on the occasion.

Minister directs officials to prepare draft on PU lecturers' transfer

Mysuru, July 19 (SPN&DM)- Primary and Secondary Education Minister S. Suresh Kumar has asked the Department officials to prepare the draft policy on PU College lecturers transfer.

Pointing out that he had held a series of meetings with officials in this regard, he regretted the delay in the drafting of the transfer policy which should have been ready by now.

Expressing disappointment that representatives of PU College Principals and lecturers and MLCs representing teacher Constituencies have been frequenting his Office seeking announcement of transfer guidelines, Suresh Kumar urged the concerned authorities to finish the task at the earliest without giving any reasons for further delay.

Ka. Pu. Siddalingaswamy is new KSTDC Chairman

Mysuru, July 19 - In a surprising and sudden development, the State Government on Sunday appointed BJP leader from Varuna Assembly segment Ka. Pu. Siddalingaswamy as the new Chairman of State-run KSTDC (Karnataka State Tourism Development Corporation), replacing actress Shruthi who was serving as the Chairperson since January 2020.

Siddalingaswamy

Siddalingaswamy is a close confidant of Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa and had served as his Personal Assistant when BSY became the Chief Minister of the first BJP Government in the State in 2008.

The timing of Siddalingaswamy's appointment as KSTDC Chairman assumes special significance as it comes at a time when Tourism Minister C.P. Yogeeshwar is leading a campaign to replace Yediyurappa as the Karnataka CM.

Over 2.6 crore vaccine doses still available with States: Centre

New Delhi, July 19 (UNI)- The Union Government today said that more than 2.60 crore doses of COVID-19 vaccine are still available with the States.

"More than 2.60 crore (2,60,12,352) balance and unutilised COVID vaccine doses are still available with the States/UTs and Private Hospitals to be administered," the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare said in a statement.

It further said that so far more than 42.15 crore (42,15,43,730) vaccine doses have been provided to States/UTs through all sources.

"Of this, the total consumption including wastages is 39,55,31,378 doses till 8 am today," the statement said.

Notably, till now, 40,64,81,493 people have been administered COVID-19 vaccines, with 13,63,123 being inoculated against the virus in the past 24 hours.

The new phase of universalisation of COVID-19 vaccination commenced from June 21. Since then the vaccination drive has been ramped up through availability of more vaccines.

RCHO Dr. L. Ravi feted

Dr. L. Ravi, Reproductive and Child Health Officer (RCHO) and in-charge of COVID-19 vaccination in Government Hospitals, who was transferred from Mysuru to Bengaluru recently, being felicitated by Dr. M.S. Jayanth, Dr. Ravi, Dr. Chidambar, Dr. Shiraj, Dr. K.H. Prasad (DHO), Dr. Shivashankar, all District Programme Officers, in city on Saturday.

NEWS BRIEFS

Deadline extended

The Backward Classes Welfare Department has extended the deadline for filing online applications from Backward Classes and migrant group students to avail Post-Matric Student Scholarship, fee concession, Vidyasiri Scheme, Boarding and Lodging Assistance Scheme etc., to July 25. This extension is applicable only for such eligible students who could not completely fill the application forms in the SSP portal due to lockdown.

Scholarship

The Social Welfare Department has extended the deadline for online application for Post-Matric Student Scholarship (2020-21) to July 31. The annual income of the parents of the applicants from SC/ ST communities should not exceed Rs. 2.5 lakh. The students must apply in the State Student Scholarship Portal *[ssp.postmatric.karnataka.gov.in]* before July 31. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2520910.

Appointment of Trustees

Following a Court order, the Mysuru Taluk Tahsildar has invited applications from eligible persons for appointment of five Trustees for Bestagiri Hattu Janagala Garadi Trust at Bestagiri in Nazarbad Mohalla. Interested citizens residing within the vicinity of the Garadi at Nazarbad, can apply at the Taluk Office (Room No. 104) of Mini Vidhana Soudha latest by July 27. The Trustees will be appointed based on an interview which will be held on July 29 at 3 pm.

Minister Byrathi praises MUDA for its service during Corona crisis

Mysuru, July 19 (YDS&SSV)- Urban Development Minister Byrathi Basavaraj has said Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) has become a model by saving lives of people during the second wave of COVID-19 pandemic.

Speaking after inaugurating the newly-established oxygen generating plant at Seth Mohandas Tulsidas (SMT) Hospital here on Friday, he said that the prime objective of MUDA was to form new layouts and develop city. But it has played a vital role during the Corona crisis and saved lives of people. Such works must be taken up in other districts too. The administrations and the elected representatives of those districts have to take a lead in this regard, he added. The Minister said that none had imagined that the Coronavirus will spread so fast and affect so many people. At that juncture, MUDA helped in converting the SMT Hospital into COVID Hospital where hundreds of Corona positive patients were treated. It was happy to note that prime land had been donated by Seth Mohandas Tulsidas family for the construction of hospital. The new oxygen generating plant has been commissioned with the financial help of the Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysuru Chapter, which has shared its part of income towards a noble cause, he added.

The State faced acute shortage of oxygen during the second wave of pandemic. Now, the oxygen plants have been established in all district and taluk hospitals under the guidance of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa.

Stating that as the District in-Charge Minister of Davangere, he had established the oxygen generating unit in all taluks at a cost of Rs. 1 crore each, Byrathi Basavaraj said that by doing this, they had overcome the shortage of oxygen in Davanagere. Adequate steps have been taken to effectively face the third wave of pandemic, Byrathi added.

Modern Hospital

Krishnaraja MLA S.A. Ramdas said that it was not possible to manage the second wave of pandemic as done during the first wave. At this situation, the newly-built SMT Hospital was converted into COVID Hospital. This hospital must be upgraded as modern hospital. In Mysuru, three hospitals and seven Primary Health Centres (PHCs) were treating people. The MUDA had planned to sell two acre of land in Jayanagar to an American Company for Rs. 2.5 crore. Then he intervened and got this land allotted to Health Department just for Rs. 1 per acre. Now, the Jayanagar Urban PHC has bagged a national award.

He said a total of 1.94 lakh people in the Krishnaraja Constituency have been vaccinated of which Rs. 1.76 lakh persons have received the first dose. The second dose will be given in the special drive to be held from July 24 to October 2.

On the occasion, Corona Warriors Dr. Chandrashekar, Dr. Manjunath, Bharghav and Madhusudhan were felicitated. Co-operation and District Minister S.T. Somashekar, MLAs G.T. Devegowda and C.S. Niranjankumar, MUDA Commissioner Dr. D.B. Natesh and Chairmen of various Boards and Corporations were present.

Devaraja Market Tenants threaten
to initiate contempt proceedings against Govt.

Mysuru, July 19 (SSV)- Mysuru Mahanagara Palike Devaraja Marukatte Badigedarara Sangha (MCC Devaraja Market Tenants Association) has threatened to initiate contempt proceedings against the State Government following statement by Urban Development Minister Byrathi Basavaraj that both century-old Devaraja Market and Lansdowne building will be demolished and re-built in the same heritage style.

In a press release here, S. Mahadev, President of the Sangha, said based on a writ petition filed seeking restoration of Devaraja Market, the Karnataka High Court ordered the State Government to constitute a committee within three months for the restoration of all the heritage structures in Mysuru, in 2019. When the Court was seized of the matter, it was surprising to see the Minister's statement on demolition and rebuilding of the market. The Minister should have read about the HC's observation before making a statement.

The Sangha will have to initiate contempt proceedings against the Government as the Minister has made an irresponsible statement in public.

Mahadev said both Devaraja Market and Lansdowne Building are quite strong till date and its style captivates tourists. Without considering it, the elected representatives want to demolish these two buildings just for the sake of commission. The Sangha will launch protest in case the Government takes decision to demolish these two iconic structures.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM

Maximum	:	124.80	feet
Today	:	98.30	feet
Yesterday	:	97.35	feet
Inflow	:	13,326	cusecs
Outflow	:	2,116	cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00	feet
Today	:	2,279.76	feet
Inflow	:	8,968	cusecs
Outflow	:	10,800	cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00	feet
Today	:	2,855.31	feet
Inflow	:	8,350	cusecs
Outflow	:	9,650	cusecs

MLA instils confidence in students

Mysuru, July 19 (RKB&DM)- Asserting that the Government has taken all precautionary and safety measures in accordance with COVID SOPs, MLA S.A. Ramdas said that the SSLC students can write the exam without any fear on July 19 and 22.

He was participating in a Phone-in programme for SSLC students organised under the aegis of Mysuru South Zone BEO Office at Gopalaswamy Shishuvihara High School here on Thursday.

Highlighting the precautionary and safety measures taken by the Government, Ramdas gave some useful tips to the students on taking on the exam, which is being held on a changed pattern due to the pandemic.

Motivating the students to attend the exam with full confidence, Ramdas answered queries on many issues raised by students, including conduct of the exam just for 40 marks instead of the usual 100.

Pointing out that students seem to be confused as the exam pattern this year is totally different from the past years, he said that students need not be too worried about scoring marks, but work towards acquiring knowledge which is very vital these days.

Stating that Prime Minster Narendra Modi in a motivational talk had enthused students by saying that they must treat exams as a festival, Ramdas said that this meant that students should not worry about exams.

Calling upon the students to shun spicy and oily food as far as possible, he observed that students should sleep without any exam worries and rise early in the morning so that they can be fresh throughout the day.

South Zone BEO R. Ramaradhya, Nagesh, Academic Co-ordinator Manohar, resource person Srikanta Shastry, Gopalaswamy School's Panduranga and others were present.

31 industrial units to come up
at Badanaguppe-Kellamballi Industrial Area

Dr. M.R. Ravi

Chamarajanagar, July 19 (SS &DM)- Giving further push for industrial growth of Chamarajanagar district, the District-level Single-Window Committee, headed by Deputy Commissioner (DC) Dr. M.R. Ravi, has approved the establishment of 31 industrial units at Badanaguppe- Kellamballi Industrial Area in Chamarajanagar taluk.

The Badanaguppe-Kellamballi Industrial Area was formed in a 1,500 acre area and so far, 163 industries have applied for setting up industrial units there.

Following a Google Meet by Land Audit Committee with the applicants who had sought land for setting up industries, the Single-Window Committee headed by the DC approved establishment of 31 industrial units at a meeting held on Saturday.

When Industries Minister Jagadish Shettar had visited Chamarajanagar a few months ago, DC Dr. Ravi had appealed the Minister to form a Sub-Layout in the Industrial Area so that small entrepreneurs and entrepreneurs from SC/ ST communities will get the much in demand industrial plots at a concessional price. Now the Minister has acceded the demand, following which the Single-Window Committee has approved 31 industrial units.

In this backdrop, entrepreneurs from SC/ST communities and other marginalised sections will get industrial plots ranging from an area of 0.25 acre to 2 acre in a total area covering 118.44 acres. The Government has also approved formation of an Industrial Sub-Layout, which will help in boosting the economy of the region.

Earlier, 233 industrial units have got approval for establishing units at Badanaguppe-Kellamballi Industrial Area, out of which 10 are heavy industries, which have got approval of the Government.

Meanwhile, DC Dr. Ravi said that the Single-Window Committee has approved 31 new industrial units in the said Industrial Area. Hoping that investments would pour in now with the approval, he said that the establishment of the units is expected to create about 800 jobs and will give a new dimension to the Industrial scenario of Chamarajanagar district.

Bakrid: KR Police hold peace meeting with community leaders

Mysuru, July 19 (MK&KS)- Krishnaraja (KR) Police Inspector Mahadevaswamy held a peace meeting with Muslim community leaders pertaining to Bakrid celebration on July 21.

During the meeting, the Inspector apprised the community leaders to follow all Government guidelines while offering prayers at Mosques in the interest and safety of all. He asked the community leaders to oversee that the guidelines of the Government such as wearing of face masks, maintaining social distance and usage of sanitisers among other precautionary steps be followed by all those attending prayers at mosques.

Religious leaders Kaleem Syed Arif, Syed Sadiq Kaleem, residents Mahesh, Satish and others were present.

Woman among three go missing from city

Muskan

Irfan

Mysuru, July 19 (YDS&KS)- In separate incidents, a woman is among three persons, who have gone missing from city.

In the first incident, 21-year-old Muskan has gone missing from Ghousianagar since June 28, while 21-year-old Irfan has gone missing since July 2 in the second incident. The parents of both the missing persons have lodged separate complaints at Udayagiri Police Station.

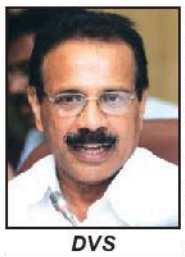
Those having any information about the missing persons may contact Udayagiri Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418309.

In the third incident, 20-year-old Dheeraj Chawan, who left his house on July 14 at about 10 am to conduct tender coconut business near Maharaja's College Grounds, has since gone missing.

He is 5 ft. tall, fair complexioned, well-built and was wearing a blue pant and grey coloured checks shirt at the time of going missing.

Those having information about Dheeraj, may contact Lakshmipuram Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418320 or Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339, according to a press release.

Public co-operation important for controlling COVID spread: DVS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Bengaluru, July 19 (UNI)- Former Union Minister and senior BJP leader D.V. Sadananda Gowda (DVS) yesterday said that Coronavirus control is not possible without public co-operation.

Speaking after distributing food kits for unskilled workers, he said that people support is most important to avoid spreading of COVID.

"Do not assume that infection control comes as soon as the Government enforces rules. Everyone should be cautious and follow safety measures including wearing mask, using sanitizer, social spacing and avoiding unwanted ones in your home," he pointed out.

He said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi in the country, Chief Minister Yediyurappa in Karnataka making serious efforts to control the situation of virus.

The Karnataka Government is preparing well in advance to face challenges of possible third wave as experts predicated, he added.

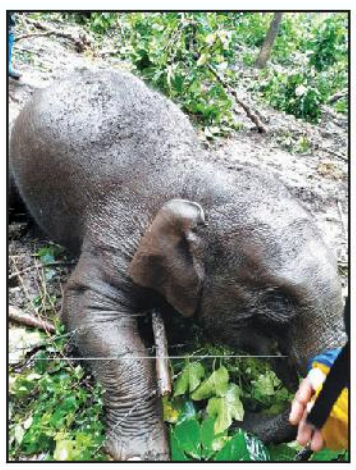
Elephant dies after coming in contact with solar fence

Somwarpet, July 19- An elephant, aged about eight years, has died after coming in contact with a solar fence at Areyurunegalle village in Nerugalale Gram Panchayat limits on Saturday night.

The carcass of the elephant was found with its trunk stuck to the fence at the agricultural land of Poovaiah.

One Negalle Avinash, who had grown ginger crop in the land of Poovaiah, had installed solar fence around the land to protect the crop from wild animals.

But when a herd of elephants from Yadavanadu Reserve Forest was crossing the fence,



the trunk of the eight-year-old elephant got stuck to the electric fence and was electrocuted.

Somwarpet Range Forest Officer (RFO) Shama visited the spot and has taken further action. Veterinary Department Assistant Director Dr. S.V. Badami conducted the post-mortem.

It may be recalled that a wild elephant aged about 40 years, which had strayed out of the forest in search of food and water, died of electrocution after it came in contact with an illegal electric fence near Alathur village at Bandipur Reserve Forest in the taluk recently.

One Jagannath had fenced his field and had drawn power illegally to protect his groundnut crops from wild animals.

The Forest Department, which had registered a case, is on a lookout for the accused who is absconding.

Obituary

Srinivas

Mysuru, July 19- Srinivas (40), a resident of Sunnadakeri here, passed away on Saturday night in city.

He leaves behind his father Nagaraju, sister and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill yesterday afternoon, according to family sources.

Shivamurthy

R.D. Shivamurthy (78), retired Divisional President, KSRTC Mysuru Rural Division, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind his wife, one son, two daughters, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Veerashaiva Burial Grounds in K.R. Nagar today, according to family sources.

Krishnappa

Nanjangud: Krishnappa (70), former Town Municipal Council Member and a resident of Chamalapura Road in the town, passed away yesterday.

He leaves behind his wife Sulochana, two sons and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed near Lingabhattara Gudi in the town yesterday evening, according to family sources.

Minor wall collapse at KRS

Srirangapatna MLA Ravindra Srikantaiah inspecting the spot at KRS Dam along with engineers.

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Early this morning, officials from Cauvery Neeravari Nigam Limited (CNNL) that manages the Dam visited the spot and took stock of the situation. CNNL Chief Engineer Shankaregowda and Dam Rehabilitation and Improvement Project (DRIP) consultant Shivaprasad were part of the team.

CNNL Superintending Engineer Vijaykumar told *Star of Mysore* that the collapsed structure is 11.5 metres from the main body of the Dam and there is no need to panic. "The structure was built with mud-mortar and it has collapsed now. We will repair it," he said.

On a question if any technical committee would visit the Dam to study the stone collapse, he said that since the damage is not to the main Dam structure, the question of the technical committee's visit does not arise. We are undertaking huge repair and replacement works of the sluice gates and these incidents are common. There is no need for panic," he added.

Srirangapatna MLA Ravindra Srikantaiah, who inspected the Dam along with engineers, said that the stones have collapsed on the path to Brindavan Gardens and not the main structure of the Dam. "This particular wall has been built with mud while the main structure is built with mortar. Due to rain the soil has become weak and repairs will be undertaken and there is no reason for worry," the MLA said.

SSLC exam begins

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In Mysuru district, a total of 38,989 students, including 37,474 regular, 1,081 private and 434 repeater students had registered for the exam.

All the students underwent thermal screening, Oximeter checking and hand sanitisation before they were allowed entry to the halls from 9 am itself. ASHA workers, other health workers and volunteers of multiple organisations helped the Education Department in checking the health of students. In case, students displayed COVID symptoms during the check, they would be directed to other rooms, which were reserved for the purpose. Only 12 students were allowed to write the exam in a room.

Tight security around Centres

The question papers, which were kept in tightly sealed covers at the Treasury in the Deputy Commissioner's Office, were dispatched to all the exam centres a couple of hours ahead in designated vehicles on assigned 12 routes covering all the centres — which included four for the city and eight for taluk centres — under tight security with Armed Police personnel accompanying the vehicles.

Deputy Commissioner Dr. Bagadi Gautham himself supervised the dispatch of the question paper bundles.

The students appearing for the exam too seemed to show no anxiety or fears and parents/guardians who had accompanied them, were seen motivating them with last minute tips. The visually challenged children were provided with scribes by the exam authorities.

Squads led by DDPI Dr. Panduranga and other Nodal Officers went around the centres to oversee the conduct of the exam.

Dr. Panduranga told *Star of Mysore* that the exams went off peacefully and without any untoward incidents.

Maintaining that the Department had made all necessary arrangements for ensuring the safety, health and well-being of children, he hoped that the second paper on July 22 too will pass off peacefully.

Meanwhile, the Police had provided tight security around all the exam centres. The city Police had clamped prohibitory orders under Section 144 Cr.PC in 200 Mt. radius around all the exam centres and no one, except the examinees and exam staff were allowed to move around in the vicinity. Also, all photocopy shops in the vicinity of all the centres have been asked to shut down.

Wishing good luck to SSLC students

Mysuru District Newspaper Dealers Association, led by its General Secretary A. Ravi, distributed N95 masks, roses and pens to the students who are attending SSLC exams today at Jayalakshmipuram and Vijayanagar exam centres in city and wished them good luck. Association Members, dentist Lokesh, contractor Arun Kumar, Vontikoppal Guru and others were present on the occasion.

Dasara-like Gangotsava

Tourism Minister to make announcement today

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The Jungle Lodges and Resorts (JLR), a unit of the Karnataka State Tourism Development Corporation (KSTDC), is running the Hotel now and will continue to manage the Hotel. The JLR took over the Lalitha Mahal property from India Tourism Development Corporation (ITDC) in 2018.

In January this year, the Tata Group, represented by Tata Sons Chairman N. Chandrasekaran, had offered to run the luxury hotel at a virtual meeting that was chaired by Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa. The meeting was also attended by Puneet Chhatwal, Managing Director of Indian Hotels Company Limited (IHCL), a group company of TATA's under which the Taj Hotels are managed.

Though the Taj Group has a track record in restoring and managing Palace properties in places like Udaipur, Jaipur, Jodhpur, Hyderabad and Gwalior, the Government later decided to continue with the JLR as it cannot favour any one business group while handing over a Government enterprise like the Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel which has a heritage value to a private player.

As per norms, if at all the Government decides to hand over the State-run enterprise to private parties, it has to do so after floating a Request For Proposals (RFP) or global tenders.

Kodagu visit

During his stay in Kodagu, Yogeeshwar visited the Harangi Dam and Elephant Camp at Dubare run by the Forest Department. Speaking to reporters, the Tourism Minister, who also holds the Environment and Ecology portfolios, said that he had plans to introduce adventure sports at Harangi Dam Backwaters in association with private players.

"This is my private and unofficial trip and I will officially visit Kodagu to announce more tourism projects. I have informally told the officials to prepare a plan of action for adventure sports at Harangi Dam Backwaters," he said.

Gangotsava at Talakad

The Gangas ruled over most parts of Mysore called Gangavadi up to Kolar from the second half of the 4th century to 1004 AD, when Raja Raja I (985-1014 AD) of Chola dynasty, captured Talakad and named it Rajarajapura. After nearly a century, it passed on to Vishnuvardhana (1111-1141 AD), founder of the Hoysala dynasty, early in the 12th century.

Talakad was ruled by Gangas, Cholas and Hoysalas and all the rulers have left their imprints on Talakad by building temples. Some of the temples built by them are Vaidyeshwara, Pathaleshwara, Maruleshwara, Anandeswara, Arakeshwara, Gauri Shankar, Keerti Narayana and Chowdeshwari.

The temples of Pathaleshwara (Vasukeeswara), Maruleshwara, Arakeshwara, Mallikarjuna and Vaidyeshwara constitute the Panchalingas representing the five faces of Lord Shiva. Of these, Vaidyeshwara, Pathaleshwara and Maruleshwara are in Talakad, while Arakeshwara and Mallikarjuna are at Vijayapura and Mudukuthore or Bettahalli.

The Gangotsava will be held on a grand scale like Mysuru Dasara. Already, Talakad is famous for the Panchalinga Darshana held once in 12 years on New Moon Day in the month of Karthika.

Hi-tech Haat in Mysuru

At the Tourism Department review meeting, Minister Yogeeshwar expressed interest in creating a 'Hi-tech Haat' at the Dasara Exhibition Grounds in Mysuru, which depict the art, culture, folklore and tourism aspects.

He asked the Department officials to prepare a project blueprint, which could be taken up at the State Cabinet meeting for discussion and approval. This should facilitate the organisation of 'India Expo 2023' in Mysuru, he said.

Already, the Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA), which holds the Dasara Exhibition annually, is developing a master plan for converting the Dasara Exhibition Grounds into a round-the-clock exhibition and events hub. The KEA has a proposal to hold exhibitions, events, conventions and amusement activities throughout the year, with the Exhibition Grounds now limited to just holding Dasara events.

Dist. Police solve murder, cheating cases

Four arrested in two cases

Superintendent of Police (SP) R. Chethan, flanked by Additional SP R. Shivakumar (left) and Nanjangud Dy.SP V. Govindaraju, addressing a press meet at his office in city this morning.

Mysuru, July 19 (RK&KS)- The Mysuru District Police have solved two separate cases pertaining to murder and cheating and have arrested four accused in this regard.

Addressing a press meet at his office here this morning, Superintendent of Police (SP) R. Chethan said that the Police have solved a murder case of a man by arresting his wife and her paramour.

The accused are Uma and her paramour Avinash. Giving details about the case, the SP said that on Oct. 10, 2020, one H.T. Ravindra, son of late Tirumalaiah and a resident of Honaganahalli village, Kasaba hobli in Mandya district, had lodged a complaint at Bannur Police Station expressing doubts over his brother H.T. Venkataraju's death.

In his complaint, Ravindra had stated that his brother Venkataraju was married to Uma of Ballekere village in Srirangapatna taluk 10 years ago and the couple have an eight-year-old daughter and six-year-old son. About four years ago, when Uma was in her parents' house, her relatives Vinod and Pramod had assaulted Venkataraju physically and hence Venkataraju was not going to his in-law's house.

But on Oct. 9 at about 6.30 pm, Venkataraju had called his younger brother Rajesh and had informed him that he (Venkataraju) was going to the house of Uma's grandmother at Hunasegalli in T. Narasipur taluk. Again at 10.30 pm, Vinod gives a call to Rajesh saying that Venkataraju was suffering from giddiness and 10 minutes later, Pramod calls Ravindra and informs him that Venkataraju had died.

Expressing doubts over Venkataraju's death, Ravindra had lodged a complaint with Bannur Police, who had registered a case of unnatural death and had sent the body of Venkataraju for post-mortem.

After the post-mortem report said that the death was due to 'Vaso vagal shock as a result of Blunt force injury to the scrotum sustained,' Bannur Police re-registered the case as murder and took up the investigation.

Meanwhile, SP R. Chethan had instructed Additional SP Shivakumar and Nanjangud Sub-Division DSP V. Govindaraju to form a team to nab the accused following which a Police team, comprising Bannur Inspector B. Chikkarajashetty, Sub-Inspector Kusuma and staff, was formed.

The Police team took Venkataraju's wife Uma into custody and subjected her to interrogation during which she (Uma) is said to have told the Police that there was an age difference of 20 years between her and her husband Venkataraju and suspecting her character, Venkataraju used to assault her.

When Uma went to her parents' house for her second child's post delivery care, she had developed illicit relationship with her neighbour Avinash and after postnatal care at her parents' house, she does not go to her husband's place despite Venkataraju telling her that he would take a house on rent at Mandya. Uma then hatches a plot along with Avinash to eliminate Venkataraju.

On Oct. 9, 2020, Uma summons Venkataraju to her grandmother's house, where she spikes his coffee with sedatives and when Venkataraju went to sleep after consuming the coffee, Uma, along with Avinash, hit Venkataraju's private parts and smoothers him to death with a pillow, the SP said. After Uma revealed the crime, the Police traced Avinash and arrested him.

While Uma has been remanded to judicial custody, Avinash is remanded to Police custody for further questioning, the SP added.

Husband, wife arrested for cheating public

Giving details about the second case, SP Chethan said that the Police have arrested a couple for cheating public.

The arrested are 29-year-old Bhagya alias Sowbhagya alias Sowmya and her husband 30-year-old Prasad. While Bhagya was arrested near Somanahalli village in Maddur, Prasad was arrested at Angala village in Gundlupet taluk.

Details: On July 6, 2021, one Suresh, a Sales Executive at a private gold finance company at Agrahara in city, receives a call from a woman, who identifies herself as Sowmya.

The woman tells Suresh that she had pledged 50 grams gold ornaments for Rs. 1.75 lakh at a pawn shop in Saligrama and tells Suresh that she was willing to sell the gold items to his gold company if he gets it released from the pawn shop.

Suresh then goes to Saligrama, where he meets Sowmya and another person, who receives Rs. 1.75 lakh cash from Suresh to release the gold but had gone absconding following which a complaint was lodged at Saligrama Police Station.

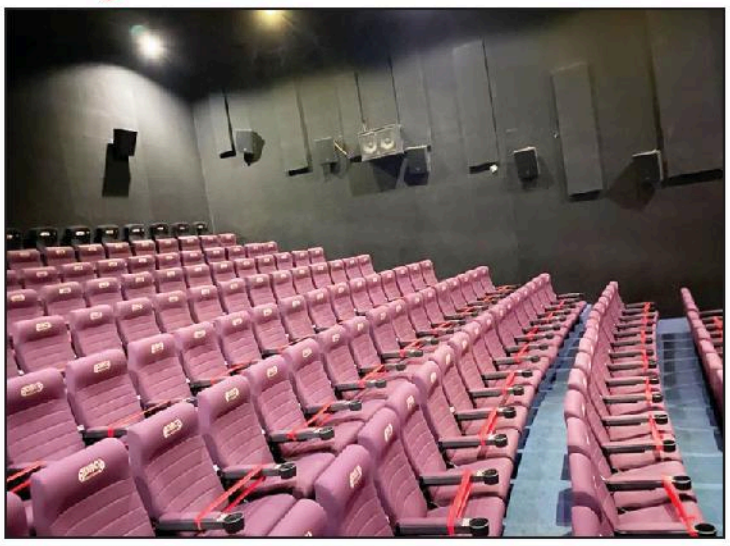
Following instructions from SP Chethan, a Police team comprising Saligrama Inspector R. Srikanth and staff was formed, which arrested the couple.

During interrogation, the accused are said to have confessed of committing the crime at many places in Mysuru, Chamarajanagar and Mandya districts.

Following their arrest, the Police have solved one case each at Yelwal, H.D. Kote and Saligrama Police Stations and two cases in Kesthur Police Station.

City cinemas reopen

- Audience trickle into DRC
- Single-screen theatres remain shut



Mysuru, July 19 (RK&BCT)- After months of drawing the curtains on the shows going from 100 percent to zero, cinema theatres in the city opened to a thin audience this morning.

As expected, the crowds just trickled into multiplexes where the morning and noon shows were on while single-screen theatres remained shut except for 'Woodlands' where there was fewer audience.

The State Government yesterday allowed theatres to open with 50 percent capacity and also strictly adhering to all social distancing and COVID-appropriate behaviour. All multiplexes including DRC Cinemas at BM Habitat Mall in Jayalakshmipuram opened this morning and the shows have been designed and timed so that the last show winds up by 9.30 pm, 30 minutes before the night curfew begins.

Though the multiplexes opened amidst short notice to a thin audience, single-screen theatres did not open. Only Woodlands reopened and a Kannada movie was screened. Single-screen theatre owners said that they will take a decision this evening at a meeting on the modalities of opening.

"We have opened it to the general public with Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs). As per the guidelines, entry is restricted only to 100 seats as against the total 200 seating capacity. The entire cinema hall was totally cleaned and disinfected. It might take a week or so for the movie buffs to return," Vaishali Hanumanth, who owns DRC Cinemas, told *Star of Mysore*.

"Adequate physical distancing was maintained by keeping every alternative seat vacant. Adhesive tape was put on the vacant seat to maintain social distancing. We have made provisions for sanitisers and hand washing facilities at the entrance. Only people with face masks were allowed entry," she added.

No snacks were, however, supplied to the audience. A few single-screen theatre owners said that it would not be possible to open theatres unless new movies are released. "The movies already released are being watched on OTT platforms. It is not possible to open theatres with just one or two films in hand. At least five to six cinemas must be ready," they said.

Also, producers must agree to change the existing business module of fixed weekly payments to a percentage-based module, they said. "If only 50 percent of the audience is allowed, the income is only sufficient for rentals, salaries and taxes. What about the other expenditure," they questioned.

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Bharthruhari Shathaka

Oh mother Earth, father Wind, friend Light, relative Water, brother Sky here is my last salutations to you with clasped hands! Through my association with you all, pure knowledge developed, delusion vanished. I now merge in the Supreme Brahman.

Sons, Daughter, Daughter In-laws, Son In-law, Grandchildren, Relatives & Friends
Sri Giri Traders, Santhepet, Bandipalya and Kuvempunagar
Office bearers of Arya Samaj Mysuru & Bidadi,
Karnataka Rajya Arya Prathinidhi Sabha, Mysuru
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Vaastu Feng Shui & Bio-Energetics

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Serenity & home

The movement of energy in any building influences the thought process and the prospects one can attain. Hence, orienting the home or office to harmonise the flow of energy and availing the support of specific Feng Shui enhancers to empower the good fortune is essential.

In Feng Shui, the primary focus although being energy movement, logical approach to organise things and keep them accessible is of equal importance. Many have what is known as "clutter in the pocket" or for the ladies "clutter in the handbag." It is said that money carried properly in a "wallet" or a hand bag has to have an exclusive compartment for placing the notes and not be a part of all that goes into the hand bag or wallet.

In the science of Feng Shui, the effect of the planets, magnetic fields, solar energy and man-made external aggressions are analysed and the internal layout of the house or office is accordingly arranged to specifically suit and support the occupants.

The energy of a home must never be allowed to stagnate. The positive energy represented by "Yang" or colour white is what is needed to bring in good fortune to a home. When the energy "Chi" stagnates, it attracts dullness, stillness and negativity and the Chinese believe that reduces the good fortune. The speed and direction of flow of Chi is equally important and this calls for proper planning of layout of rooms and placement of doors and windows such that the "Chi" meanders through the way.

Hence, furniture in bedroom plays a crucial role in establishing the quality of energy in the room which translates to overall harmony, good health and improved relationship. Sharp corners and edges pointing towards the bed, placing very tall cupboards and shelves in close proximity to the sleeping area are all bad Feng Shui as they over power the rooms and generate negative Chi.

Keep the foyer and the area just inside your main door well lit, clean and fresh without furniture or obstacles in line with the main door.

- Place fresh flowers in a large urn of water close to the main door.
- Floral decorations with yellow flowers in the living room bring in fresh feel.
- Place green and healthy plants in the East and the Southeast sectors of your living room to enhance wealth luck.
- Having water features at the wealth sectors like East, Southeast and even North of the house would ensure a good connectivity and smooth flow in all aspects of our financial transactions and also ensure that the feel of abundance exists and motivates the occupants.
- Placing purple candles on metal candle holders at North sector of the living room or entrance would also help in achieving this feel.

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Rotary teams installed

ROTARY CENTRAL MYSORE: ***The installation ceremony of Rotary Central Mysore was held at a private hotel in city recently. PDG Rtn. Dr. Sameer Hariani, RI District 3190, who was the chief guest, installed Rtn. Anil Padaki as President and the entire team for the year 2021-2022. Seen are*** *(sitting from left)* ***Hon. Secretary Rtn. S. Vijayendra, President Rtn. Anil Padaki, chief guest District Governor Rtn. A.R. Ravindra Bhat, Installing Officer Rtn. Sameer Hariani, Immediate Past President Rtn. Praveen Pal, Immediate Past Hon. Secretary Rtn. Umesh and Assistant Governor Rtn. S.R. Swamy;*** *(standing from left)* ***Community Service Director Rtn. M.S. Jayaprakash, Club Service Director Rtn. Vivek Attavar, Sergeant-at-Arms Rtn. Rajesh Darira, International Service Director Rtn. K.S.N. Prasad, Vocational Service Director Rtn. Rakesh Kumar Rastogi, Club Literacy Committee Chair Rtn. Jyothi Ashok, President-Elect Rtn. Sudheer Acharya, Joint Secretary Rtn. N.P. Vishwanath, Treasurer Rtn. A.V. Sridhar and Youth Service Director Rtn. Naveen George D'Souza.***

ROTARY MYSORE BRINDAVAN: ***The installation of new team of Rotary Mysore Brindavan and Charter Nite for the year 2021-22 was held at a private hotel in city recently. The Installing Officer and chief guest was PDG Rtn. M. Lakshminarayan while AG Rtn. Ravishankar was the guest of honour. Seen are*** *(top row from left)* ***Rtn. Chandrakant - Club Secretary, Rtn. Mahesh - Club President, AG Rtn. Ravishankar, PDG Rtn. Lakshminarayan, IPP Rtn. Nanjappa, Rtn. Manjunath - Sergeant-at-Arms, Rtn. Ramamurthy - Editor, Rtn. Krishna Bhat - TRF Chairman, Rtn. Sham Prasad - Treasurer, Rtn. Mahantesh - Vice-President and Rtn. Diwakar - Joint Secretary;*** *(front row from left)* ***Rtn. Vasudev - District Secretary, Rtn. Keshav - DGN, Rtn. H. Kulkarni - Webmaster, Rtn. Hansoge - Director International Service, Rtn. K. Prakash - ZL and TEACH, Rtn. Dharmanand - Director Community Service, Rtn. Ashwath - District Project, Rtn. Muniraj - Director Vocational Service, Rtn. Sreenidhi Murthy - WINS and Rtn. Naipunya - Membership Development.***

ROTARY WEST MYSORE: ***Rtn. Dr. B. Chandra was installed as the President for Rotary West Mysore for the year 2021-22 by Installing Officer and District Governor Rtn. A.R. Ravindra Bhat and Assistant Governor Rtn. C.S. Ravishankar. Seen are*** *(sitting from left)* ***Rtn. C.S. Ravishankar, Rtn. Dr. S.A. Mohan Krishna (Secretary), DG Rtn. A.R. Ravindra Bhat, Rtn. Dr. B. Chandra (President), Rtn. PHF M.D. Raghavendra Prasad (Immediate Past President) and Rtn. PHF D.K. Dinesh Kumar (Past Secretary and President-Elect);*** *(standing from left)* ***Rtn. Peush Kumar (Director -Vocational Service), Rtn. Alexander Vincent (Joint Secretary), Rtn. S.K. Lakshminarayan Babu (Vice-President), Rtn. N. Sathish (Joint Secretary), Rtn. B.S. Sridhara Raj Urs (Bulletin Editor), Rtn. P. Gangadhara Gowda (Treasurer), Rtn. Aditya Desiraju (Director - Youth Service), Rtn. Kartik V. Kashyap (Director - Community Service), Rtn. A. Nagarjun (Director - International Service), Rtn. G.K Sudheendra (Director - Club Service) and Rtn. C. Kantharaj (Sergeant-at-Arms).***

VVCE signs MoU with LTTS

The Department of Electronics & Communication Engineering, Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering (VVCE), Mysuru, signed an Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Larsen & Toubro Technology Services (LTTS), Mysuru, recently. Seen in the picture are *(from left)* ***Vidyavardhaka Sangha (VVS) Secretary P. Vishwanath, LTTS-Global Engineering Academy Director Dr. KNS Acharya, Principal Dr. B. Sadashive Gowda, LTTS-Business Unit Head-Embedded Systems Rabi Rout, VVS President Gundappa Gowda, VVS Treasurer Srishaila Ramannavar and Professor & Head-Department of Electronics & Communication Engineering Dr. C.M. Patil. The major objective of signing the MoU with LTTS is to promote industry-institute interaction. The company aims to provide projects, internship, training and job opportunities for students. Additionally, institution jointly collaborates or associates with this company to prepare curriculum planning, promote research activities, workshops, symposiums, conferences and faculty development programmes.***

TENNIS TALK

By U.B. Acharya

20:20:20—Let the 'GOAT' Debate begin

Roger Federer

Novak Djokovic

Rafael Nadal

With Novak "Nole" Djokovic winning the Wimbledon 2021 and thus winning his 20th Major title (same as Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal), it is time to start a debate on "Greatest of All Times". Though it is difficult to compare athletes of different eras, in this case the three great players have played in the same era and have competed against each other several times and hence it is fair to judge who is the greatest of all times.

Since all the three players have not yet retired, this is an interim assessment and the final verdict, according to past champion and now a respected TV commentator Boris Becker will have to wait only after they have hung their rackets.

The genesis of term "GOAT"

The term "GOAT" began to enter the lexicon in early 1990s when Mohammad Ali's wife Lonnie incorporated the term 'Greatest of all Times, Inc.' to organise her husband's business activities. However, the self aggrandising Ali had bestowed himself of the title "I am the Greatest" way back in 1960s. Besides being an acronym totally unrelated to the four footed mammal, the word "GOAT" has been our culture's shorthand for "Greatest Of All Times" over the past few decades. In fact in every sport, this word has become familiar.

Number crunching exercise

Now let us look at the various quantitative criteria. The first one has to be the number of Major titles won and all the three have the same number of titles. Then comes in importance is the medals won in the Olympics. While Nadal has gold medal to his credit, Federer and Djokovic have a silver and bronze medal respectively. In addition, one has to consider 'Individual Slam', 'Career Slam', three Majors in a year and two Major titles in a year, ATP tour finals winner, Masters 1000 title, Number of weeks as World Number 1, etc.

Now let us consider their head to head count. Between Federer and Nadal, Nadal leads by 24 to 16. Between Federer Vs Djokovic, Djokovic leads by 27 to 23. Regarding Nadal and Djokovic, again Djokovic leads by 30 to 28 times. So on this count, Djokovic is the clear leader.

All these titles can be quantified by assigning points and a detailed description of the methodology has been published in *Star of Mysore* dated March 12, 2019 and hence will not be repeated here. A total of 350 players have been analysed using these criteria and on this basis, Djokovic has 124.9 points, Federer has 115.3 and Nadal has 97.9 points. Therefore, according to my quantitative analysis, Djokovic is the GOAT by a considerable margin.

Semi quantitative analysis

In February 2021, a respected tennis critic after Djokovic won his 18th Major title made a semi quantitative analysis. He divided the various activities of a tennis game and ranked the performance of these three great players and gave them 3 points for the best and 1 to least among the three.

	Federer	Nadal	Djokovic
1. Service	3	1	2
2. Return	1	2	3
3. Forehand	3	2	1
4. Volley	3	2	1
5. Backhand	1	2	3
6. Speed on the court	1	3	2
7. Determination	1	2	3
TOTAL	13	14	15

On the basis of the above analysis, Djokovic is marginally better than the other two.

Peter Bodo's views on Djokovic

Peter Bodo, a well-known tennis critic, after watching Novak Djokovic play in Indian Wells Masters1000 way back in 2007 (a 16-year-old lad who had just won a couple of ATP 250 series titles) where he ended up as runner-up to Nadal, has said that though he is not a "Perfect Player" yet, he is bound to become one. Well said indeed.

A qualitative analysis

If one takes a vote among the tennis fans, there is no doubt that Roger Federer would win hands down with nearly 85% of the votes. Unfortunately, the GOAT decision is not a popularity contest but based on cold numbers. And numbers do not lie!

However, one thing in Federer's favour is that his game is pleasing to watch. It is like maestro conducting an orchestra. There are many well-known tennis analysts who declare that irrespective of how many Major titles are won by Nadal or Djokovic, for them Roger Federer will always be the GOAT. According to me, this is a biased view but everyone has his or her own views and I respect that.

Interim assessment

As mentioned in the beginning, one cannot conclude definitely who is the GOAT until all three retire from tennis. Therefore, my final assessment would be written only after that day. Until then one can only speculate though Djokovic is now the frontrunner.

WORD OF THE DAY

Emprise

Pronunciation: em-PRYZE.
Meaning: An adventurous, daring, or chivalric enterprise.
Origin: Someone who engages in emprises undertakes much, so it's no surprise that emprise descends from the Anglo-French word emprendre, meaning "to undertake." It's also no surprise that emprise became established in English during the 13th century, a time when brave knights engaged in many a chivalrous undertaking. Fourteenth-century author Geoffrey Chaucer used emprise to describe one such knight in "The Franklin's Tale" (one of the stories in The Canterbury Tales): "Ther was a knyght that loved and dide his payne / To serve a lady in his beste wise; / And many labour, many a greet emprise, / He for his lady wroghte er she were wonne."
Example: "But perhaps he was the only one courageous enough to voice an opinion that others might have shared, but were afraid to say, that this whole quixotic emprise had been a bad idea, that they had been fools to attempt an escape." — John D. Lukacs, Escape From Davao, 2010.

THE ODD WORD

Ecdemomania

Abnormal compulsion for wandering.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

As light as a feather

Meaning: To be 'as light as a feather' means to be very light in weight.
Origin: No one is quite certain what the origin of the idiom "as light as a feather" is, but its meaning is quite literal. This idiom is very closely related to the term "featherweight," which dates back to 1812. The term was originally used in horse racing, and was the lightest weight allowable; it evolved from the simpler term "feather," which was used as early as 1760 to denote the lightest burden allowable in horse racing.
Example: "Didn't you pack anything? Your luggage is as light as a feather."

QUOTE BOX

Whoever is happy will make others happy too. **—Anne Frank**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

MEAL²

Answer :Square meal.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Reverential fear
4 Elected rep.
7 Chennai based IPL team
10 Functions
11 Suffer
12 Exodus author __ Uris
14 Bomb, mine, or shell fragments
16 Simple
17 Cricket sundry
18 Actor Chaney
19 Pertaining to sound?
20 Affirmative vote
21 Poisonous snake
22 Airspeed Indicator
24 Offence, sense of slight or injury
28 Rocky hill
29 Comedian __ Das
30 Large cask
31 Horrific fire
33 Cereal grass
34 Dwight
35 Vasco's locale
37 Beam or grin
40 Tic ___ toe : children's game?
41 The rear part of a ship
44 ____ and pepper : dining table companions?
45 Small bungalows
47 Nobelist Wiesel
48 Beer - "lea" anagram?
49 Keen on
50 Household god
51 Literary monogram
52 Inlet for "air" change !

SATURDAY'S ANSWER

A	S	R	S	■	S	D	I	■	S	K	I	M
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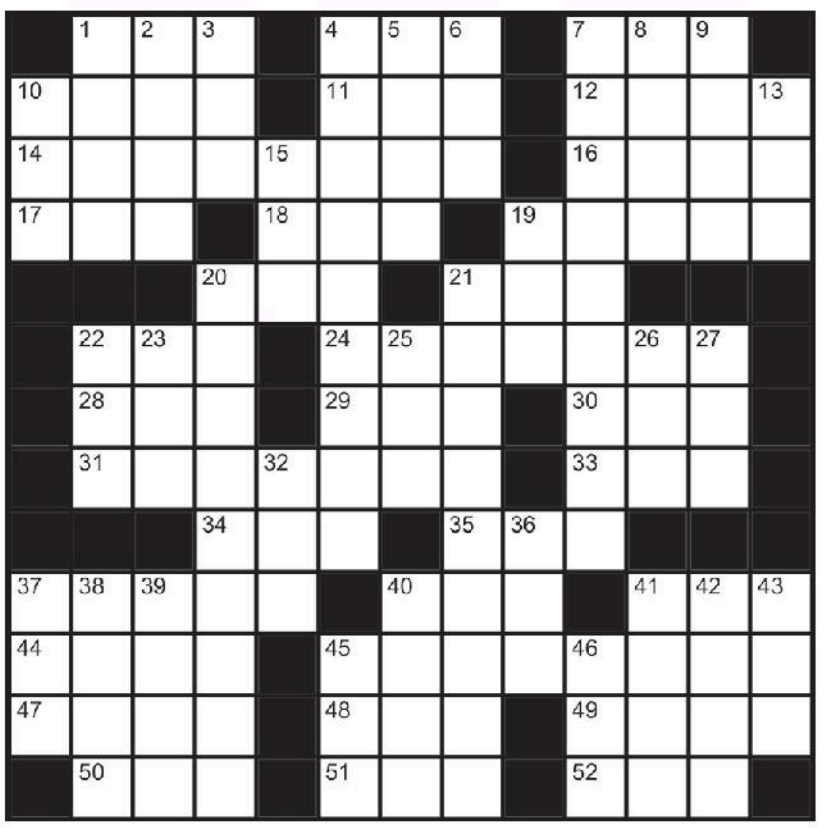
DOWN

1 Paler than pale
2 Past tense of "are"
3 Conductor __-Pekka Salonen
4 An adroit move; skilful proceeding
5 Legal claim
6 __ at once : without warning; not one by one?
7 Egyptian queen
8 Actor Connery
9 Tributary of Ganges
10 Computer port
13 The Big Apple
15 Wield
19 Part of the erstwhile Soviet Union, abbr.
20 It removes impurities from entering your car's engine (3,6)
21 Nullifies or abolishes
22 Air Transport Indicator
23 Sanjay Dutt to Sunil Dutt?
25 Minimum, abbr.
26 Chap
27 Vane directions ?
32 ___ out : make living or support with difficulty?
36 Sep sequel
37 U-turn from NNW
38 Shopping complex
39 Hip bones?
40 Travel charge
41 Hindu god of fire
42 White cheese
43 Tech. Std. Order
45 Automobile
46 Tune



SUDOKU

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7	5							
		2						5
	4		1	3	7		6	
6						9		
							9	4
					4	6		7
2	6		5					

Answer to previous puzzle

9	2	5	1	8	6	3	7	4
6	1	8	4	3	7	5	9	2
4	3	7	5	2	9	8	6	1
8	6	1	2	9	3	4	5	7
3	4	9	7	6	5	1	2	8
7	5	2	8	1	4	9	3	6
1	7	3	9	4	2	6	8	5
2	8	6	3	5	1	7	4	9
5	9	4	6	7	8	2	1	3

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

PYZ LYT'O EINW OY GW BIJYZU. PYZ VZUO EINW OY

JIQW PYZM JYOEWM ITL BIOEWM CMYZL YB PYZ.

TODAY'S CLUE: L EQUALS D

Saturday's Cryptoquip: We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence then, is not an act, but a habit.

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Roberrt (K)	(S-1)	6.30 pm
Yuvarathnaa (K)	(S-2)	11.30 am
	(S-4)	4.15 pm
Sulthan (Ta)	(S-2)	3.40 pm
Inspector Vikram (K)	(S-2)	6.40 pm
Godzilla Vs Kong (E)	(S-3)	11.10 am, 1.30 pm, 7 pm
Vakeel Saab (Te)	(S-3)	4 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

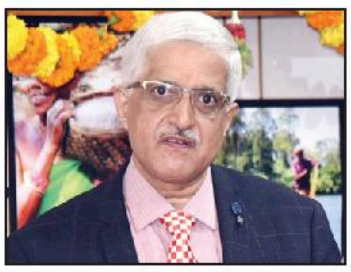
EVENTS TODAY (JULY 19)

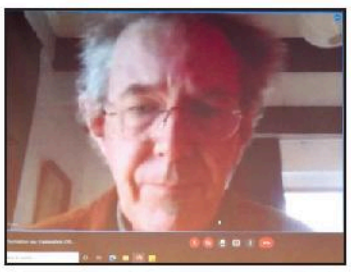
- **JSS Mysore Urban Haat and Industrial Extension Cottage (Indext-C), Government of Gujarat:** Gujarat Handicrafts Utsav, Urban Haat premises, Ring Road, Hebbal Industrial Area, **up to 9 pm.**
- **Suvarna Belaku Foundation:** Felicitation to people who served society during Corona crisis, City BJP President T.S. Srivatsa inaugurates, senior social worker Raghuram Vajapayee presides, Namana Kala Mantapa, Krishnamurthypuram, **5 pm.**
- **JSS Mahavidyapeetha:** Jnana Varidhi, a weekly online (virtual) lecture series, Mangaluru's Indian Red Cross Society Medical Officer **Dr. J.N. Bhat** talks on 'Swasthya Jeevana,' Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, [YouTube: *http://Youtube.com/c/JSSMahavidyapeethaonline* or Facebook: *https://www.facebook.com/JSSMVP* or Website: *http://jssonline.org*] **6 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JULY 20)

- **JSS Mysore Urban Haat and Industrial Extension Cottage (Indext-C), Government of Gujarat:** Gujarat Handicrafts Utsav, Urban Haat premises, Ring Road, Hebbal Industrial Area, **10 am to 9 pm.**

'Indian Dravidian languages and Australian Tribal languages have similarities'





Prof. C.G. Venkatesha Murthy, Director, CIIL, delivering Presidential address during the inaugural ceremony. *Picture right:* ***Prof. Nicholas Evans delivering Foundation Day Lecture through online.***

Mysuru, July 19 (PM&AK)- Indian Dravidian languages and Australian Tribal languages have similarities so it's important to document all tribal languages around the world said Australian National University Linguist Prof. Nicolas Evans.

While addressing the gathering virtually during the inaugural function of 53rd Founder's Day held at Central Institute of Indian Languages (CIIL) on Hunsur Road on Saturday. "In this civilised society we have treasure of knowledge yet society is facing trouble due to imbalance in nature. There are a lot of things to learn from tribal community, their language, culture and knowledge should be implemented in the society. Linguistic specialists should give more prominence to the study of tribals," he added.

CIIL Director Prof. C.G. Venkatesh Murthy said, "CIIL has been a great organisation and working towards the promotion of Indian linguistic tradition, social culture and political status. The primary functions of the CIIL are to act as the nodal agency of the country for language policy and language planning to teach and conduct research to protect all languages minor, minority, tribal, endangered and lesser-known languages of India through teaching and research."

Murthy further added, "CIIL is also involved in socially-oriented outreach and extension programmes. It has conducted programmes for IAS/ IPS probationers, trained about 500 officers of Karnataka in Administrative Kannada and conducted certificate courses by Correspondence to teach Tamil, courses in Bengali and courses in Telugu, apart from courses in Kannada for SBI/ SBM Bank officials. It has also conducted courses for the local non-Kannada Central Government Officers and Journalists."

Gujarat Handicrafts Utsav launched at JSS Urban Haat

DC Dr. Bagadi Gautham *(centre),* ***who inaugurated Gujarat Handicrafts Utsav at JSS Mysore Urban Haat in city last evening, is seen taking a look at a saree on display at the expo.***

Mysuru, July 19- Gujarat Handicrafts Utsav, organised by JSS Mysore Urban Haat under the sponsorship of Industrial Extension Cottage (Indext-C), Government of Gujarat, was launched by Deputy Commissioner (DC) Dr. Bagadi Gautham at the Urban Haat premises on Ring Road, Hebbal Industrial Area here last evening.

The expo will be open between 10 am and 9 pm till July 25.

D.M. Shukla, Executive Director, Indext-C, Gujarat, Dr. Snehal Makwana, Manager (Marketing), Indext-C, S. Puttasubbappa, Director, Finance Division, JSS Mahavidyapeetha, K.R. Santhanam, Director, Audit & Accounts Division, JSS Mahavidyapeetha, Dr. H.R. Mahadevaswamy, Joint Director, Technical Education Division, JSS Mahavidyapeetha and Rajesh Rai were present during the inaugural. After the launch, the DC also shook his leg to some Gujarati music at the venue.

The main aim of the Utsav is to boost the livelihood of artisans and give a marketing platform for live artwork of handloom and handicrafts by the artisans coming from distant villages of Gujarat and pursuing the traditional artwork under Cottage and Rural Industries.

More than 50 Master Craftsmen from Gujarat are participating in the exhibition to exhibit, demonstrate and trade their rich customary art and craft like Patola weaving, Shawl weaving, Kutchi embroidery, Arjakh Block Print, Tie & Dye (Bandhej), Zari-Zardosi work, Bead work, Wooden & Metal art work, Jewellery & accessories, Nail painting, Home decor & furnishings, leather work etc.

Dr. Bagadi Gautham posing with a 3D art at the venue.

The DC dancing to Gujarati music at JSS Urban Haat.

The craft-admiring public of Mysuru can cherish the moments at Crafts Pavilion with Kachchi Ghodi show, Puppet show, Cultural programme, Gujarati food, etc., by joining the festival.

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